city of Baltimore, the said tickets shall permit the holders thereof to a stop-over privilege of at least forty-eight (48) hours in the city of Baltimore; provided, that nothing in this section shall prohibit railroad companies from issuing and selling tickets without this stop-over privilege in the city of Baltimore, for special occasions, when the tickets for passage are good only on excursion trains not on the regular schedule of the railroad.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 256. 1912, sec. 319. 1904, sec. 299. 1902, ch. 615.

257. All passenger trains passing through the city of Baltimore must stop at least three minutes at the principal station of the company operating said trains, and the stoppage of all trains must be announced in such manner as will give passengers ample opportunity to get off.

See sec. 224.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 257. 1912, sec. 320. 1910, ch. 102 (p. 82).

258. All regular passenger trains run or operated by the Northern Central Railroad Company in either direction between the city of Baltimore and any station located on its main line in this State, or on its Green Spring Valley Branch, shall stop at Calvert Station, in said city, for a sufficient length of time to take on and discharge passengers from such trains with safety; provided, said trains be not express trains, but passenger trains, scheduled to regularly stop on signal or otherwise at local stations on either the main line or Green Spring Valley Branch of said railroad within this State, and the same penalties shall be incurred for any violation of this section as provided in section 259 of this Article.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 258. 1912, sec. 321. 1904, sec. 300. 1902, ch. 615.

259. Any manager, officer, agent, conductor or employee who shall violate any of the provisions of sections 255-257 shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon indictment and conviction thereof shall be fined not less than one hundred dollars nor more than five hundred dollars for each offense, one-half of said fine to go to the informer.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 259. 1912, sec. 322. 1906, ch. 717. 1908, ch. 154, 1912, ch. 517. 1929, ch. 226, sec. 259 (p. 720).

260. Every railroad company of this State, heretofore or hereafter incorporated, may in its discretion and from time to time, make use of any motive power or motive powers, on the whole or any part or parts of its road, for the purpose of operating its road or any part or parts thereof, or for the movement of all or any of its cars or trains; provided, however, that the provisions of this section shall not authorize any railroad company to operate its cars or trains by steam or other power along the streets, of any city or town, or along any public road, without the consent of the proper municipal or county authorities.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 260. 1912, sec. 323. 1906, ch. 454.

261. It shall be unlawful for any person, corporation or association operating a railroad within this State to permit any telegraph or telephone operator who spaces trains, by the use of the telegraph or telephone, under what is known and termed "block system" (defined as follows): Reporting trains to another office or offices, and to the train despatcher registering the same and operating one or more train order signals, and telegraph or tele-